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STATE ROUTE 84 PROPOSITION 1B AND LOCALLY FUNDED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT IS UNDERWAY

ALAMEDA COUNTY – Caltrans, the city of Livermore, and the Alameda County Transportation Commission celebrated the groundbreaking for the first segment of State Route 84 widening projects. The \$29 million project includes \$16 million from Proposition 1B, the transportation bond passed by voters in 2006.

"Caltrans is working to improve transportation infrastructure across California, which benefits everyone due to reduced travel times, costs and pollution," said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty.

This project will widen the existing highway in Livermore in Alameda County along State Route 84 from two to four lanes north of Concannon Boulevard to Stanley Boulevard, and from two to six lanes from Stanley Boulevard to Jack London Boulevard. Construction for the second segment of the State Route 84 widening project is slated to begin in spring 2014. The project will continue from Concannon Boulevard to Ruby Hill.

"Caltrans and the Alameda County Transportation Commission have partnered to provide congestion relief to motorists who travel along State Route 84 and to the community of Livermore," said Bijan Sartipi, Caltrans District 4 Director. "Being able to provide congestion relief is what this partnership is all about."

"State Route 84 is a critical mobility investment in the Tri-Valley. Our sales tax measure in Alameda County has been a major funding source for each stage of development. Relocating it from downtown Livermore to Isabel Avenue provided the city with the opportunity to dramatically revitalize its downtown. And now we are constructing the segment of the project to connect I-580 and I-680 via State Route 84," said Mark Green, Chair of the Alameda County Transportation Commission and Mayor of Union City. "The combination of local transportation dollars and state bond funds, both approved by voters, is what is delivering this important project in the Tri-Valley."

In total, about \$14 billion in Proposition 1B funds have been distributed statewide.
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